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MEMORANDUM FOR: CIA Career Service Board

FROM: Executive Secretary, CIA Career Service Board

SUBJECT: Continuation of Missing Persons Act

1. On 4 April 1953 the Congress approved extension of the Missing Persons Act until 1 February 1954. This extension was sponsored by the Department of Defense. The extension liberalizes the original Missing Persons Act in some respects and extends its coverage in two ways:

a. It substitutes the phrase "foreign country" for "neutral country" in certain paragraphs of the Act.

b. It substitutes the phrase "hostile force" for "enemy" in certain paragraphs of the Act.

2. This action by the Congress fulfills one of the items on the program of "benefits that will require additional legislation" that was contained in the original Career Service Program ([redacted] Tab G, Career Benefits, paragraph 4.b., page 23) and insures authority for the continuance of pay, within-grade raises, and grade promotions for CIA personnel who are detained involuntarily by foreign governments.

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